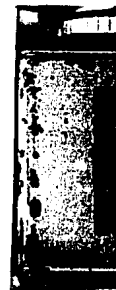


CLASSIFICATION ~~RESTRICTED~~ ~~RESTRICTED~~ FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
SECURITY INFORMATION
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
INFORMATION FROM
FOREIGN DOCUMENTS OR RADIO BROADCASTS CD NO. --

STAT

COUNTRY USSR - Armenian SSR
SUBJECT Sociological - Education, libraries
Biographic - Scientists
HOW PUBLISHED Daily newspaper; quarterly periodical
WHERE PUBLISHED New York; Echmiad
DATE PUBLISHED Jr 13 Dec 1951
LANGUAGE Armenian
DATE OF INFORMATION 1951
DATE DIST. 25 Jan 1952
OF PAGES 2
PLEMENT TO RT NO.



STAT

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF ESPIONAGE ACT 50 U.S.C. 11 AND 11A AND AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNER TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. REPRODUCTION OF THIS FORM IS PROHIBITED.

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

SOURCE Newspaper and periodical as indicated.

LAUD PROGRESS OF YEREVAN UNIVERSITY, LIBRARY

LIST DISTINGUISHED ARMENIAN SCIENTISTS -- New York, Lraper, 13 Dec 51

During the past 30 years, 17 institutions of higher learning have been established in the Armenian SSR. The most distinguished of these is the Yerevan State University, imeni Molotov. With its varied curricula, the university contains ten separate faculties which, together, teach 42 specialties. It employs some 300 professors. Thus far, more than 5,000 scientists have received specialized training at the university.

The university's significance is evidenced by the long list of prominent scientists that have been trained by it. All are members of the Academy of Sciences Armenian SSR, one of the leading USSR scientific institutions. The list includes A. Alikh and A. Alikhanyan, winners of the Stalin Prize and joint directors of the academy's Institute of Physics; A. Shahinyan, director of the Collective of Mathematicians and Engineers; I. Yegiazarov, director of the Institute of Power Resources; Grigoriy Kapantsyan, head of the Chair of Linguistics at the university; also R. A. Acharyan, A. Terteryan, Viktor Ampartsunyan, Kh. Koshdoyants, A. Akopyan, G. Paffengol'ts, A. Oganesyanyan, M. Chailakyan, A. Takhdachyan, N. Sisakyan, A. Karipyan; Professors A. Ter Bogosyan, V. Rashduni, A. Andzhur, S. Lisitsyan, S. Ter Mkrtchyan, M. Santrosyan, E. Ter Minasyan, L. Orbeli, I. Orbeli, and others.

The Academy of Sciences Armenian SSR is a research center for major projects in physics and mathematics, technology, agriculture, biology, economics, and history.

YEREVAN STATE LIBRARY ENLARGED -- Echmiadzin, Echmiadzin, Jan - Mar 51

The Myasnigyan State Library of Yerevan contains over 2,500,000 volumes. Recognized as one of the most prominent USSR libraries, it receives a copy of every book published in the Soviet Union. The library frequently receives

- 1 -

STATE		CLASSIFICATION		RESTRICTED		RESTRICTED		DISTRIBUTION							
NAVY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NAVY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ARMY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ARMY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

STAT

numerous gifts from various sources. Thus, for example, it has acknowledged receipt of 30,000 volumes from Lazaryan College in Moscow, 7,000 from the Armenian Theological Seminary in Tbilisi, 5,000 from the Caucasian Armenian Benevolent Union, 7,000 from Myasnigyan's personal library, etc. Professor Timanyan of London has donated a large collection of valuable Armenian periodicals. And more than 30,000 books have been received from France, Rumania, and Mexico.

But the library still lacks 40 percent of the Armenian books published throughout the world.

The library employs 127 staff officials, eight of whom are Armenian repatriates. It has its own budget of 2 million rubles annually.

The library, therefore, plays an important role in the social life of the USSR. Already it has begun to assume additional important functions. In cooperation with the Department of Philology at Yerevan State University, the library staff has undertaken a program to train its own librarians. Hitherto, librarians have been recruited from Moscow universities.

A large expansion plan has also been initiated. The new library construction projects include reading rooms, individual workrooms, private offices for the directors of the various library departments, departmental offices for the collection of library funds and an entirely new music section. The latter will be directed by K. Tamanyan, son of the renowned academician.

- E N D -

- 2 -

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED